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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Application of: **AFEK et al.**

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For: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR PROTECTING
AGAINST OVERLOAD CONDITIONS ON NODES
OF A DISTRIBUTED NETWORK

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Sir:

In response to an Official Action dated September 11, 2007, and prior to considering the appeal in this case, kindly amend this application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3.

Remarks accompanying the amendment begin on page 11.